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**BRASS KNOB MISSION 3760**  
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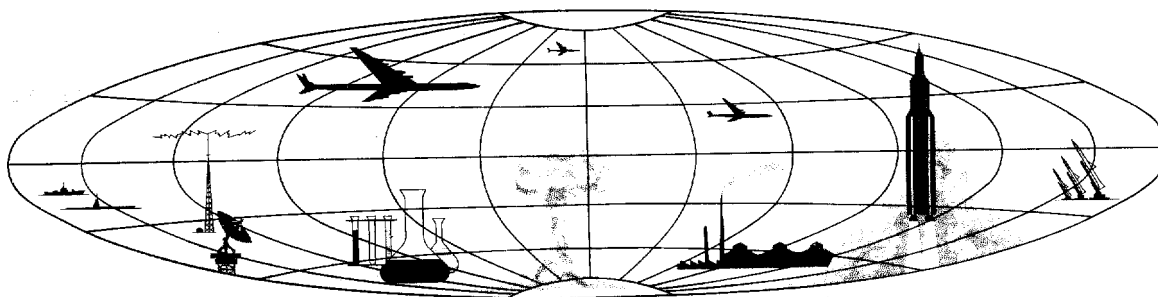


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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3760, DATED 26 OCT 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

SYMBOLS USED TO INDICATE CONDITIONS WHICH AFFECT THE APPEARANCE OF THE TARGET ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY ARE AS FOLLOWS -- C (CLEAR), SC (SCATTERED CLOUDS), HC (HEAVY CLOUDS), H (HAZE), CS (CLOUD SHADOW), SD (SEMIDARKNESS), O (OBLIQUITY), PQ (POOR IMAGE QUALITY).

-MISSILES-

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LOS ANGELES SAM SITE 2100N 07541W

SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH MISSILES), 6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (3 CANVAS-COVERED), 13 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 7 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS, 4 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W

SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH MISSILES), 6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (4 CANVAS-COVERED), 12 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA WITH PROBABLE RADAR AND SHED-COVERED EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W

TWENTY-SIX MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (ONE CANVAS-COVERED, 22 WITH PRIME MOVERS), AT LEAST 10 CANVAS-COVERED TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 4 TRACTOR-TRAILER TRUCKS,

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17 CARGO TRUCKS, 6 UTILITY TRUCKS, AT LEAST 15 OTHER VEHICLES, 2 VAN TRAILERS, AND NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS OBSERVED.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

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MALDONADO SAM SITE 2012N 07528W

SIX REVETTED LAUNCHERS (ONE WITH MISSILE), A CANVAS-COVERED HOLD AREA, ONE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTER, 14 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 4 CARGO TRUCKS, 6 SETS OF BOGIE WHEELS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT OBSERVED.

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CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2122N 07750W

FOUR UNREVVETTED LAUNCHERS, 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 6 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 8 OTHER VEHICLES, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

SIX SEMI-REVVETTED LAUNCHERS, 10 CANVAS-COVERED TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 5 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS, ONE TRUCK-MOUNTED CRANE, 5 VAN TRAILERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA WITH RADAR AND 10 VANS OBSERVED.  
NO MISSILE TRANSPORTERS OBSERVED IN AREA.

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NICARD SAM SITE 2042N 07535W

SIX UNREVVETTED LAUNCHERS, AT LEAST 6 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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NUEVITAS SAM SITE 2128N 07720W

SITE APPEARS ABANDONED.

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NUEVITAS SAM SITE 2 2132N 07717W

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, ONE PROBABLE TRUCK-MOUNTED CRANE, 2 CARGO TRUCKS, ONE POSSIBLE VAN TRUCK, 2 PROBABLE UTILITY TRUCKS, 2 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 3 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA WITH RADAR AND 6 VANS. FACILITIES INCLUDE 8 LARGE, ONE MEDIUM, AND 2 SMALL TENTS.

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BANES CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2058N 07538W

TWO REVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 2 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 4 CARGO TRUCKS, 4 OTHER VEHICLES, 3 CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT AREAS, AND AN OCCUPIED CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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-AIRFIELDS-

CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 FISHBED, 2 FARMER, 3 FAGOT, AND 2 DERELICT FAGOT.

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HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 FISHBED, 2 FARMER, 16 FAGOT, ONE PROBABLE LIAISON, AND 4 HOUND.

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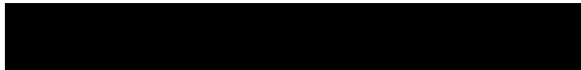


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LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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PRESTON AIRFIELD 2044N 07539W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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ANTONIO MACEO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 LIAISON.

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-PORTS-

BANES NAVAL BASE 2055N 07542W

VESSELS -- ONE KRONSHADT-CLASS PC AND ONE OTHER PC.  
THE 11 UNIDENTIFIED CRATES REMAIN.

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BARACOA PORT 2021N 07430W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER AT ANCHOR WITH ONE  
COASTAL FREIGHTER ALONGSIDE.

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MOA PORT 2039N 07454W

VESSELS -- ONE COASTAL TANKER OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.  
NUMEROUS PROBABLE POL DRUMS OBSERVED IN AREA.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- 6 LARGE FREIGHTERS, ONE COASTAL  
FREIGHTER, AND ONE COASTAL TANKER.

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NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W

VESSELS -- ONE SMALL PROBABLE PC, 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS,  
AND ONE LARGE TANKER.  
THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED 3-GUN AAA SITE AT  
18Q TU 678859 REMAINS OCCUPIED. AN ADDITIONAL  
OCCUPIED 3-GUN AAA SITE IS OBSERVED AT 18Q TU 705839,  
(AMS SERIES E723, SHEET 4780-I, 2D ED).

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[REDACTED]  
CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER ANCHORED WEST OF  
CAYO FRANCES.

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[REDACTED]  
PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER AT CAYO JUAN CLARO.

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[REDACTED]  
-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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25X1D HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE  
IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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25X1D CAMAGUEY MILITARY CAMP 1 2121N 07751W

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

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OFELIA, MILITARY CAMP 2006N 07530W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
AT LEAST 19 PROBABLE TANKS/SP GUNS, APPROXIMATELY  
105 VEHICLES, 6 POSSIBLE AAA PIECES, AND 34 FA  
PIECES OBSERVED.

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ALTO CEDRO, MILITARY CAMP 2029N 07600W

AREA 1 -- 33 CARGO TRUCKS.  
AREA 2 -- NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.  
AREA 3 -- 30 CARGO TRUCKS AND 7 FA PIECES.  
AREA 4 -- 20 CARGO TRUCKS AND 18 FA PIECES.  
AREA 5 -- 24 CARGO TRUCKS AND 18 FA PIECES.  
AREA 6 -- 18 CARGO TRUCKS AND 18 FA PIECES.  
AREA 7 -- 20 CARGO TRUCKS AND 4 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.  
AREA 8 -- 95 CARGO TRUCKS AND 4 PROBABLE FA PIECES.  
AREA 9 -- 20 TANKS/SP GUNS, 6 CARGO TRUCKS, AND  
4 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.

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CAMAGUEY MILITARY CAMP 2126N 07753W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES.  
NINE LARGE TENTS (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE),  
62 CARGO TRUCKS, 34 FA PIECES, AND 18 MORTARS  
OBSERVED.

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HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP NW 2057N 07616W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWENTY TANKS/SP GUNS AND 13 CARGO TRUCKS  
OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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ALTAGRACIA, MILITARY AREA 2124N 07742W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NINE TANKS/SP GUNS AND ONE OTHER VEHICLE OBSERVED.

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PERSEVERANCIA MILITARY CAMP 2006N 07533W

ONE PROBABLE LARGE AND 2 PROBABLE MEDIUM TENTS  
(NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), 7 CARGO TRUCKS,  
AND 3 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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SANTA ISABEL FINCA MILITARY CAMP 2005N 07528W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
SEVEN CARGO TRUCKS, 4 FA PIECES, AND 10  
UNIDENTIFIED PIECES OF EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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DOS CAMINOS MILITARY INSTALLATION 2014N 07547W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NINETY-FIVE CARGO TRUCKS (50 IN CONVOY FORMATION  
ON PERIMETER ROAD), 36 FA PIECES, AND 13 PROBABLE  
FA PIECES OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA, MILITARY TRAINING AREA 2002N 07550W

FOURTEEN VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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TUMBADERO TANK TRAINING AREA 2104N 07558W

NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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CAMAGUEY MILITARY INSTALLATION SW 2117N 07801W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO ACTIVITY OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH 1957N 07557W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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--MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY--

MAYARI ARRIBA MILITARY INSTALLATION 2027N 07531W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE  
IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE  
SINCE LAST COVERAGE--

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA CRUISE-MISSILE STORAGE	2004N 07551W
PUNTA ALEGRE PORT	2223N 07847W
JUCARO PORT	2137N 07851W
EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2007N 07546W
LAS MERCEDES, MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07700W
HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP SOUTHWEST	2051N 07617W
TI ARriba MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07535W
PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH	1958N 07457W
NICARO LANDING BEACH	2042N 07533W
CAYO FRANCES ENGINEERING SITE	2238N 07914W

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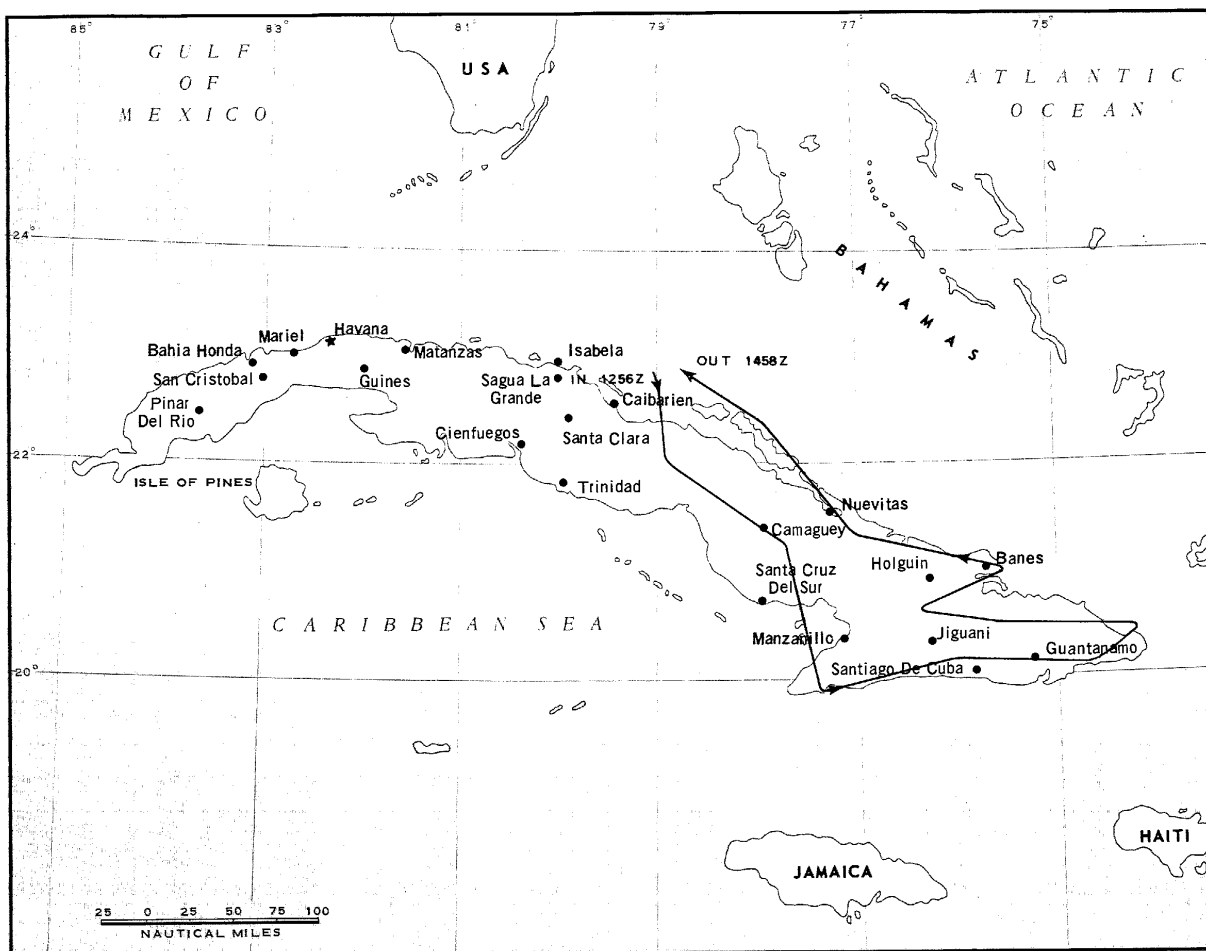
THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT  
NOT INTERPRETED --

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE	2228N 07929W
MANZANILLO SAM SITE	2018N 07706W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2104N 07700W
BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD	2023N 07638W
MANZANILLO PORT	2021N 07707W
MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2017N 07706W
MINAS, MILITARY CAMP	2127N 07734W
TACAJO, MILITARY CAMP	2051N 07558W
LA VEGUITA MILITARY CAMP	2049N 07615W
CHARCO DEL JOBO MILITARY AREA	2047N 07615W
SIBONEY LANDING BEACH	1957N 07542W

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